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St. Louis Society Women in Short Skirts

The St. Louis Globe Democrat says: Oakland, the country residence of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Blair was the scene of a unique social function last night, which astonished that portion of the staid old town of Kirkwood that knew what was going on. It was a children's party for adults only.

Clothed in the garments of children of eight or ten years, the party played forfeits, puss in the corner and other games of their childhood days.

It was a merry crowd which cast care to the winds. Grave questions of finance of politics—even World's Fair politics—were forgotten, and the financiers and politicians threw themselves heart and soul into the frolic.

Mrs. Blair, president of the World's Fair board of lady managers, and of the newly organized woman's club of St. Louis, in a dainty light blue frock, which extended but little below the regulation pinfold length, was the leader in the frolic. Her wealth of hair was allowed to flutter in the breeze unrestricted save by a single ribbon, making a most charming and girlish picture.

The host, James L. Blair, forgot that he was one of the leading members of the St. Louis bar, and counsel for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company, and set a good example to his guests by dressing in black embroidered knickerbockers and short jacket with white waist.

The guests arrived early, as becomes a children's party. As they alighted from their carriages their costumes were concealed by long cloaks and overcoats.

The names of Mr. and Mrs. Blair's guests could not be learned, nor was a description of the many dainty and becoming costumes obtainable. Almost without exception the ladies wore short dresses and the gentlemen knickerbockers and short waists.

Teachers' Association Monticello, Tenn.

For the above meeting the Southern railway will sell round trip tickets from all points in Tennessee to Monticello, Tenn., and return July 25th, 26th and 27th with final limit August 8th at the rate of one fare plus twenty five cents for the round trip. Call on Ticket Agents for tickets and further information.

J. L. MEEK, District Passenger Agent.

Lively in Wet Town But Dry in Dryville.

Oscar Shannon, a contractor and builder of this city, who has spent the past several days at Jellico, returned yesterday. He reports the Kentucky half of that town as being in a prosperous condition. New houses are going up and business is good as that place is a trade center far and wide on either side of the Tennessee-Kentucky state line. The anti-saloon war a few months ago drove the saloonists over into Kentucky and Mr. Shannon says \$5 is seen on that side of the town to \$1 on the Tennessee side. "Many of the business men declare that they will vote the next time in favor of saloons in order to protect their business interests," said he. "I never saw such a change in the past few months. Some may say saloons have nothing to do with it, but I have my private opinion."—Journal and Tribune.

Cholera Infantum.

This has long been regarded as one of the most dangerous and fatal diseases to which infants are subject. It can be cured, however, when properly treated. All that is necessary is to give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, as directed with each bottle, and a cure is certain. For sale by all druggists.

An Unjust Reward.

There was a pathetic note of more than passing interest in the city for vengeance of Jos. Cole a farmer of New Baltimore, New York, whose little daughter was brutally outraged by a negro Tuesday of this week.

"I joined the army and fought for the negroes," said he, "and this is my reward. I hope to see the wretch dangling from a telegraph pole in the morning and his body riddled with bullets, even if I have to swing for it."

The negro confessed his guilt and he was saved from lynching by the mad-dened crowd only by the swift action of the officers in getting him away to

another county. The same furious and reckless and well nigh resistless spirit of vengeance which moves Southern fathers and friends to mob violence was rampant in the hearts of these New York white men when they stood about the despoiled body of this child of the North. That heartbroken father and those sympathizing friends will hereafter feel more charity for the frailness of Southern white men who, in their desperation, put aside the law and without thought of governmental principles or consequences, seek rough and quick revenge.

This old soldier, who had "fought to make men free," has lived to see that liberty a license more cruel than any possible battleground. It is not to be wondered at that he cries out against such a reward.—Chattanooga News.

To Mothers in This Town.

Children who are delicate, feverish and cross will get immediate relief from Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. They cleanse the stomach, act on the liver, making a sickly child strong and healthy. A certain cure for worms. Sold by all druggists 25c. Sample free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Lefroy, N. Y.

No Free Passes For Commissioners.

Nashville, July 18.—It develops today that the Tennessee railroads will hardly be able to give the world's fair commissioners free transportation, on account of association agreements which have been made with outside lines. This means a great deal to the commissioners as every member serves without pay. It is well known that a hitch in the negotiations has been met with.

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Brownlow's Pull in Working Order.

Washington, July 18.—It is not so easy now as in the days of Superintendent Machen for a congressman to get the establishment in his district of a rural free delivery service but of course Walter Preston Brownlow is an exception. He appears to have a pull which no amount of irregularities in the government can weaken. A postoffice department bulletin today gives him seven new routes in his district.

The Newest in Columbia Records.

From the Music Trade Review, June 13, 1903. The Columbia Phonograph Co. have just issued a new list of additions to their catalogue of records, both cylindrical and disc. It contains all the latest "hits" in the instrumental and vocal field.

They are also calling attention to a new series of high-class records, which will include classical selections of vocal and instrumental music and talking records by artists of reputation. They have ready solos and duets in German by M. A. Werber and Sigmund Kunstadt.

In these reproductions, Franklin Werber's pure soprano tones are heard to great advantage, and all the wonderful sympathy of Herr Kunstadt's voice is faithfully preserved. They also have several violin solos by J. Kocian, the celebrated virtuoso. The sustained tones of a stringed instrument are peculiarly suitable for Graphophone reproductions and the beautiful singing quality of Mr. Kocian's records is characteristic. The French songs by Maurice Declery, of the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, are fine examples of articles interpretation and show the results of long operatic training. Roberto Vanni, in his Italian songs, appeals to lovers of the old school who appreciate melodic ornamentation, and his clear tenor voice is reproduced with scrupulous fidelity.

The talking records include reproductions of some of the lines in Rip Van Winkle, by Joseph Jefferson, senior. The humorous scene in the mountains, where Rip encounters one of Heinrich Hudson's men is contrasted with the pathetic meeting with his daughter after twenty years' absence. These records, aside from their dramatic merit, are valuable as souvenirs of this great actor, and doubtless will be in great demand.

Dr. Williams' Little Early Risers The famous little pills.

LATEST Fashion Notes

STREET COSTUME OF BLUE TOPSACK.

A stylish costume is an absolute necessity, and an evidence of good taste and workmanship is shown in a gown of blue topsack. This has a novel collar, which gives the long-shouldered effect and the strappings of which cross in front, and are completed with an ornament of pendants. Narrow plaits supply decoration, and all of the stitching a great deal of which appears on the skirt, is done with Corticelli stitching silk of the same shade, size D. This silk comes on one-quarter ounce



spools and has generally been adopted by the best dressmakers, since it is just the right size and twist for stitching purposes.

The pouched or blouse front is fast being superseded by the deep corselet and long narrow buckle, suggesting the pointed stomach, and many evening bodices show the pointed lacer edge. Large floral patterns obtain for the thin gown for warm days, and a prodigious display of coarse lace set on white bobbinet and shirtings will be the salient feature. The exaggerated long shoulders will be given by the deep lace collars of all descriptions and construction, and when these are not employed fuchsia daintily ruffled and frilled will replace them.

Cheap Lands For Homeseekers and Colonies

The country along the Cotton Belt Route in Southeast Missouri, Arkansas, North West Louisiana and Texas offers the greatest opportunities for homeseekers. Mild climate, good water, cheap building material, abundance of fuel, and soil that will often in a single season yield enough to pay for the ground. Land can be bought as cheap as \$2.50 an acre, prairie land at \$4 and \$5 per acre up, bottom land at \$5 and \$6 per acre and up, improved or partly cleared land at \$10 and \$15 per acre up. Some fine propositions for colonies—tracts of 2,000 to 8,000 to 8,000 acres at \$4 to \$10 per acre—big money in this for a good organizer. Fruit and truck lands in the famous peach and tomato belt of East Texas at \$10 to \$20 per acre up. Write us for information about cheap rates, excursion dates, also literature descriptive of this great country and let us help you find a home that will cost you no more than the rest you pay every year. For full information, address, E. W. LA BRADY, G. P. & T. A., St. Louis, Mo.

Yellow Journalism.

In the east a criminal named Miller robbed the people with a scheme that promised to pay 520 per cent. dividends.

He advertised in the "respectable," old-established, non-yellow newspapers. He sent his advertisements to the Hearst newspapers. They were refused.

It was apparent that he was engaged in robbing the people, and the editor sent to Brooklyn, the schemer's home, to the district attorney, stating that a

thief was at work and asking what could be done. The district attorney was anxious to help, but could do nothing.

Mr. Hearst's New York newspaper then engaged a lawyer, Mr. Emanuel M. Friend, telling him that Miller was a thief and requesting him to find some way of making that fact legally plain. Mr. Friend began proceedings against Miller on the technical ground of infringing the banking laws.

Meanwhile that newspaper, to stop the robbery more quickly, cut across lots and editorially denounced Mr. Miller as a thief. This stopped the public contributions to the fraud.

Mr. Miller acted quite naturally. He wrote a letter denouncing yellow journalism and sent a lawyer to say that he intended to at once arrest the yellow editor for criminal libel.

His own arrest, conviction and incarceration at Sing Sing interfered with his plans as regarded yellow journalism.

There are some individuals who hold Miller's opinion of yellow journalism and who differ from Miller principally in the fact that the law does not fit them, and that we have not yet succeeded in getting them locked up.

His health failing, and effort is being made by Miller's friends to obtain his release from prison, and in his attempt to gain clemency he has this week revealed some of the important secrets of the working of the gigantic swindle that bore his name. He was taken from Sing Sing to New York a willing witness to testify against one of his former partners in the syndicate.—Chicago American.

The Postoffice Scandal.

The republican leaders are naturally apprehensive that the disclosures of the postoffice scandals will injuriously affect their party in the next national campaign and they are beginning to explain how and why this should not be. Senator Platt, that shrewd old political manager, for instance, declares in an interview that these scandals have come as a "heretage" from the democrats, and that the republican administration deserves the gratitude of the country for exposing the corruption in the postoffice department.

This is a very strained and singularly weak effort to relieve the dominant party of responsibility for evils that have been fostered under its administration especially when it is remembered that the republicans have been in power at Washington for six years, and that the postoffice officials who have been discharged or placed under the ban of suspicion are Republicans. The question might be well asked Mr. Platt why the republican administrations have been so slow in unearthing the corruptions in the postoffice department and why nothing was done by the department to purge it of these corruptions until it was practically forced by public sentiment? The tardiness of the present administration cannot be excused on the ground that there was some leaven of evil left over from democratic administrations, for even had this been true it is the duty of each incoming administration to make a close investigation into the work and personnel of all of the departments. And it certainly cannot be assumed that the irregularities and corruptions connected with the rural route service were a "heretage" from democracy. Mr. Platt's explanation is indignant, and his assertion that the country owes the present administration a debt of gratitude for making an investigation with a view of setting things right in the postoffice department is absurd. The country expects the administration to do its duty, to render the service required of it; and the performance of this plain duty is not such a supererogation of generous service as calls for a universal oblation of gratitude.—Nashville Banner.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

The President's Memory.

It is said Roosevelt can still find his way about Washington and even remembers the names of some of the annexes.—Savannah Press.

PUBLIC BENEFACTORS.

It is Not Necessary to Give Away Millions as a Johnson City Man Proves.

Some men give away art galleries, Some build public statues, Some endow hospital beds, But the man who can't bestow a fortune

There are other means Of public benefactors One is to point out the path That leads away from the cemetery. Here's a case in point:

F. P. Baxter, manager for the K. P. Jones Lumber Co., who lives on Walnut street says: "For a long time off and on I was troubled with a backache which at times became worse than an annoyance. The kidney secretions were frequent and unnatural. I used various remedies but derived little or no benefit. Learning of Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box at the store of Patton Drug Co. and have been greatly benefited by the few doses that I have taken so far. The beneficial effects of the treatment have been so marked that I do not hesitate to recommend them to my friend."

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In Kentucky.

Man born of woman is of few days and full of bullets. Never put off until tomorrow the feud you can start today. A gun in the hand is worth two in the hip pockets.

Dead men guard no jails. A poor feud is better than none, To shoot is human; to forgive, a crime.

Order is heaven's first law. God gave us bushes that there might be ambushes.—Chicago Tribune.

Gold at Mountain City.

Bristol, Tenn., July 17.—Gold has been discovered in Johnson county, but in what quantity is not known. W. L. Cress, having found a vein of what he believed to be valuable mineral, sent a sample of it to a chemist in Philadelphia for analysis. The chemist has just replied saying that the sample of ore assayed 195 ounces to the ton. The chemist's report has caused considerable excitement and there are those in the community who think it possible that Johnson county will turn out to be another Klondyke.

Equipment Gone.

Nashville, Tenn., July 20.—Trouble is growing for those ex-members of the Tennessee national guard who failed to return all the equipment which was issued to them when they originally entered the service. Adjutant General Hannah announces that the boys must come forward "with the goods" or he will know the reason why. He is going to have the equipment, and the boys will save inconvenience to themselves if they will turn over the stuff without parley. The adjutant general has a record of all these things and if necessary will proceed against delinquents legally to recover them.

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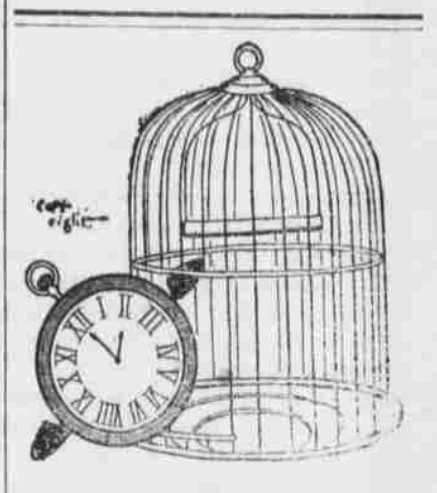
Take No Substitute.

Jonesboro Will Celebrate.

Jonesboro, Tenn., July 17.—Jonesboro failed to have a Fourth of July celebration this year, as did many other East Tennessee towns, but arrangements are now perfected for the grandest celebration in the history of the old town, on August 23, of the 119th anniversary of the organization of the state of Franklin, which occurred here August 23, 1784.

A meeting was held in the court room Wednesday at noon in pursuance to a call of Judge Kirkpatrick, president of the Washington County Historical Society, to consider the advisability of such a step. Prof. S. W. Murray was chosen chairman of the meeting and Baxter Taylor secretary. A large attendance was had. The teachers in attendance at the normal school were strongly in favor of such a movement. Committees composed of enterprising and energetic men were appointed who will push the affair with all their ability, and will beyond question make of it one of the most entertaining and pleasant celebrations held in the county for many years. Music will be furnished by the band, and several prominent speakers will address the crowd.

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